SUBJECT: Preparation of U.S. Inventory Material for Transfer Under the Grant Aid Military Assistance Program

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1. AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

This Instruction is issued pursuant to the authority of references (a) and (b). It assigns responsibilities within the DoD, and prescribes standard conditions for preparation of U.S. military inventory material prior to transfer to foreign recipients.

2. SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

2.1. The provisions of this Instruction are limited to U.S. military inventory material that is to be furnished to foreign recipients as Military Assistance grant aid only.

2.2. The Instruction is applicable to the Military Departments, Defense Supply Agency, Unified Commands, and MAAG's.

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this Instruction are to:
3.1. Insure that the serviceability and appearance of U.S. military inventory material furnished to MAP recipients reflects credit upon the United States.

3.2. Provide a standard for the condition of U.S. military inventory material prior to transfer to grant aid MAP recipients.

3.3. Insure that the standard is achieved at the least possible cost.

3.4. Authorize, on a case-by-case basis, exceptions to the prescribed standard when in the best interests of the United States Government.

4. STANDARD CONDITION OF U.S. MILITARY INVENTORY MATERIAL

4.1. All material, except aircraft, furnished to MAP recipients from the U.S. military inventory will meet the serviceability standard prescribed by departmental technical instructions for the same material furnished to operational units of U.S. Forces in overseas theaters. For aircraft previously in service, time change items will be replaced if the remaining service time at time of acceptance by recipient will be less than 50 percent of time between overhauls. Equipment will be complete with all accessories needed to perform the mission for which it is intended.

4.2. New or unused material furnished to MAP recipients from the U.S. military inventory will be inspected and where necessary functionally tested to assure serviceability.

4.3. Used major items of equipment will be cleaned and painted or otherwise refurnished as required to present a good uniform appearance and meet the objective stated in paragraphs 3.1. and 3.3., above. Good appearance is intended not only to create an immediate favorable impression, but to tangible evidence that the equipment has been overhauled and is in condition for immediate operational use without further repair or rehabilitation. Appearance standards should not require excessive expense to create a false "like new" appearance, and should normally apply only to external surfaces and appurtenances such as tires, canvas, glass, floor mats, etc.

5. EXCEPTIONS TO STANDARD CONDITION OF U.S. MILITARY INVENTORY MATERIAL

5.1. Exceptions to the foregoing standards may be recommended by Commanders of Unified Commands on a case-by-case basis.
5.2. In making requests for exceptions to the standards, due consideration will be
given to the recipients' technical capabilities as well as to the political, military, and
economic situation involved.

5.3. Any recommendation for an exception to a condition standard that will cost
more than the condition standard stated in section 4., above, will be forwarded by the
Commander of the Unified Command through the Military Department or the DSA for
approval by the Director of Military Assistance, OASD(ISA). To the extent such
recommendations relate to increased costs for improved appearance, the
recommendation of the Chief of the Diplomatic Mission will be included.

5.4. Any recommendation from a commander of a Unified Command to transfer
material that is below the standards in section 4., above, will be approved by the
Military Departments or the DSA as appropriate. The Military Departments and DSA
will maintain a record of each transfer of material approved under the provisions of
this paragraph.

5.5. Cost estimate for material to be provided under exceptions to standards
prescribed herein will be furnished by a Military Department or the DSA upon request
of a Unified Commander or the Director of Military Assistance.

6. IMPLEMENTATION

Each Military Department and the Defense Supply Agency will issue instructions to
implement this Instruction within 60 days, and will notify the Assistant Secretary of
Defense (International Security Affairs) of action taken, by submitting two copies of
each implementing instruction.
7. EFFECTIVE DATE

This instruction is effective immediately.

[Signature]

Assistant Secretary of Defense
(International Security Affairs)